(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MEASURE REFERRED

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from the further consideration of the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. 1644. A bill to further the protection and recognition of veterans' memorials, and for other purposes

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KENNEDY for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Rene Acosta, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the remainder of the term expiring August 27, 2003.

*Dennis P. Walsh, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2004.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subjected to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 2216. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fixed-ratio gear changers for truck-mounted concrete mixer drums; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2217. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3101 West Sunflower Avenue in Santa Ana, California, as the "Hector G. Godinez Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2218. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage for kidney disease education services under the medicare program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. EDWARDS (for himself, Mr. JEFFORDS, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 2219. A bill to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals who contracted the human immunodeficiency virus due to provision of a contaminated blood transfusion, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. JEFFORDS:

S. 2220. A bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require implementation by brand owners of management plans that provide refund values for certain beverage containers; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. SMITH of Oregon):

S. 2221. A bill to temporarily increase the Federal medical assistance percentage for the medicaid program; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. CLELAND, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. Res. 247. A resolution expressing solidarity with Israel in its fight against terrorism; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 572

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 572, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to extend modifications to DSH allotments provided under the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000.

S. 776

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 776, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to increase the floor for treatment as an extremely low DSH State to 3 percent in fiscal year 2002.

S. 808

At the request of Mr. Baucus, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 808, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the occupational taxes relating to distilled spirits, wine, and beer.

S. 885

At the request of Mr. HUTCHINSON, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 885, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for national standardized payment amounts for inpatient hospital services furnished under the medicare program.

S. 897

At the request of Mr. Baucus, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. Johnson) was added as a cosponsor of S. 897, a bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to provide that the procedures relating to the closing or consolidation of a post office be extended to the relocation or construction of a post office, and for other purposes.

S. 960

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) were added as cosponsors of S. 960, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Secu-

rity Act to expand coverage of medical nutrition therapy services under the medicare program for beneficiaries with cardiovascular diseases.

S. 1016

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1016, a bill to amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to improve the health benefits coverage of infants and children under the medicaid and State children's health insurance program, and for other purposes.

S. 1329

At the request of Mr. Jeffords, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Torricelli) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. Snowe) were added as cosponsors of S. 1329, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax incentive for land sales for conservation purposes.

S. 1626

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. Johnson) were added as cosponsors of S. 1626, a bill to provide disadvantaged children with access to dental services.

S. 1917

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1917, a bill to provide for highway infrastructure investment at the guaranteed funding level contained in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century.

S. 1924

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1924, a bill to promote charitable giving, and for other purposes.

S. 1945

At the request of Mr. Johnson, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. Breaux) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1945, a bill to provide for the merger of the bank and savings association deposit insurance funds, to modernize and improve the safety and fairness of the Federal deposit insurance system, and for other purposes.

S. 1967

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1967, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve outpatient vision services under part B of the medicare program.

S. 2046

At the request of Mr. Craig, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. Inhofe) and the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. Landrieu) were added as cosponsors of S. 2046, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize loan guarantees for rural health facilities to buy new and repair existing infrastructure and technology.